REACCH Summary Draft

REACCH is a program designed to reduce recidivism of bias-motivated crimes in the Country of Los Angeles through a multidisciplinary regimen that aims to foster understanding, empathy, and self-awareness, and prevent future transgressions of bias-motivated crimes. In recognition of the importance of DHS's public health approach to violence prevention, this project will utilize substance abuse and mental health treatment, functional impairment identification, anger management and cognitive behavior restructuring, vocational and educational training to address maladaptive behavior in general and bias animus in particular. REACCH also aims to aid participants of the program to begin the process of reconciliation with the victim or peer victim group through letters of apology, direct interaction, and community service. We have partnered with several community organizations including Gateways, 2nd Call, and 3Strands to holistically recognize, analyze, and rectify the roots of bias animus, and have set up both qualitative and quantitative measures to thoroughly evaluate our method of reducing recidivism